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Thermal Power Station in Visakhapatanam

6313 SHRI RAMA KRISHNA KON-ATHALA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL **ENERGY** SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the proposed thermal power station at Visakhapatanam has been included in the Eighth Five Year Plan:
- (b) if so, the techno-economic details thereof:
- (c) whether the 2x500 MW power project has been included in the propose for DECF loan of Japan to be given during 1992-93: and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CON-**VENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHR!** KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). The Eighth Five Year Plan has not been finalised so far.

(c) and (d). No, Sir.

Copper Deposits

6314. SHRI RAMA KRISHNA KONATHALA: SHRIPRATAP SAI:

SHRIVISHWESHWAR BHAGAT: SHRI CHANDUBHAL DESHMUKH:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any survey has been conducted to identify copper deposits in the country:
- (b) the total quaintly of copper deposits. State-wise:
- (c) the areas identified in each State and the quantity available there; and
- (d) the steps being taken for the mining of copper in these areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) and (c). State-wise and area-wise reserves of copper in the country are in statement.
- (b) Economically viable copper deposits are being mined by (i) Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL) in Bihar: Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh; (ii) by Hutti Gold Mines Limited in Karnataka: and (iii) by Sikkim Mining Corporation in Sikkim.

STATEMENT

Statewise and areawise details of copper reserves in the country

State	Area	Total reserves (In million tonnes)
Bihar	Mosaboni	16.41
	Pathargora	4.70
	Surda	23.75